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Inventors:

DROHAN et al.

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate);
- 2. Form PTO-1449 (44 pages) with 1 accompanying document;
- 3. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. A copy of document AR44 is provided.

Copies of documents AA1-AT43 were previously cited and submitted in Applicants' 35 U.S.C. § 120 priority Application No. 08/351,006, filed December 7, 1994. Applicants' disclosure includes one (1) recently discovered additional reference (AR44), a copy of which is attached hereto. In addition, please note that the named first author of reference AR29 has been corrected from Applicants' previously filed Information Disclosure Statement.

The Examiner is also referred to the following list of co-pending patent applications:

Application No. 08/485,882 - Filed June 7, 1995

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Application No. 08/485,898 - Filed June 7, 1995

Application No. 08/486,048 - Filed June 7, 1995

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Application No. 08/474,086 - Filed June 7, 1995

Application No. 08/474,084 - Filed June 7, 1995

Application No. 08/474,078 - Filed June 7, 1995

Application No. 08/479,034 - Filed June 7, 195

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Applicants reserve the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention over any of the information provided herewith, and/or to prove that this information may not be prior art, and/or to prove that this information may not be enabling for the teachings purportedly offered.

This statement should not be construed as a representation that an exhaustive search has been made, or that there does not exist information more material to the examination of the present patent application. The Examiner is specifically requested not to rely solely on the material submitted herewith. It is understood that the Examiner will review art of record in all 35 U.S.C. § 120 priority documents.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449, and to indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

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